THE DAILY INDEPENDENT.

VOL. 4. NO. 226 — MONESSEN, PA., SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 1906. — SIX CENTS THE WEEK

MONESSEN OPERA HOUSE.

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ONE SOLID WEEK
Commencing MARCH 19

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL.

Counsel for Defendant Twp in Dr. Griffith's Case, Submits Several Reasons.

A motion for a new trial has been made the court by counsel for Rostraver twp. endants in the action for damages, in ich Dr M. E. Griffith was awarded ,062. Several reasons are advanced support of the application, the first be- that the verdict is against the law, sec l that the verdict is against the weight he evidence, third, under all evidence verdict is excessive, and fourth, endant was unable to secure a mat- al witness for the defense, Viz: Dr , owing to the serious illness of a ient for whom no other medical at- dant could be secured, fifth, counsel plaintiff in argument to jury directed attention of the jury to the article of ement between the supervisors of de- lant twp and W. M. B V. & F. C. St. Co and commented on said article greement as showing the liability of street railway company to said town- , when said article of agreement was offered and admitted in evidence to e that the road in question was a lic road

WONT EFFECT THIS DISTRICT.

Case of Coal Strike Pittsburg Coal Co. May Sign Agreement ot Advanced Rate.

coal strike if declared will in all ability not effect this district as ously as some others. It is said information assuring the Pittsburg oration interests a coal supply been received from Indianapolis reason being advanced, that if F L ons Lolta the interstate conference signs up with the Pittsburg district ie Pittsburg Coal Co , at an advanced scale the Independent operators follow suit

depe ident operators are a nuit ist any advance but they will not it the Pittsburg Coal Co. to pay an nce and enjoy a monopoly on the nuous coal trade while they are in midst of a labor strike. Both the O. and P & L E have ceased g coal and it is believed they are under official advices assuring of ample coal supply regardless of income of the Indianapolis con- ss.

Notice.

e Scheli Hardware have left their in the hands of the Monnessen cting Agents for the purpose of g up their business here All ns indepted to the firm are re- ed to make payment at once and rsons having accounts against the firm are to present them at the ssen Collecting Agents 3rd floor onner avenue

Hanley's Family Dinner.

SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 1906.
12 M. to 1:30 P. M.

SOUP.
Chowder — Chicken with Rice

RELISHES
Potato Salad — Olives

ENTREES
Peach Cobbler — Brandy Sauce
Chicken Pie — Home Gravy

ROAST
Rib of Beef — Brown Gravy
Young Pig — Apple Sauce

VEGETABLES.
Mashed Potatoes — Green Peas
Beets in Cream — Lima Beans

Desert.
Raisin, Mince, Apricot, Pumpkin Pies
Suet Pudding — Cream Sauce.

INTERESTING NEWS

Gathered by Our Reporters in Monessen and Vicinity.

Sick Room requisites at LIGHT'S.

C. W. Cutler was a business visitor to Pittsburg yesterday.

When you need drugs you need them right.—LIGHT.

A. Nayhouse was a passenger on the noon train yesterday to Pittsburg.

Those spectacular drills at the opera house Tuesday night will please.

Are there any toilet goods that you need? Let us supply them—Kirk's Drug Store.

Mrs. David Rawson and Mrs. C. M. Lamb are shopping in Pittsburg today.

R G. Stanley and Arthur Hutton were transacting business in Donora yesterday.

Dr. Barben, Dentist — Teeth extracted by air or gas and full set of teeth $10 00

Ellen Myford will sing at the opera house entertainment next Tuesday evening

Best paints, varnishes, glass and hardware at the People's Lumber Co.

Adam Schade and Jerry Carmac will spend this evening with friends at Charleroi

The widow—her dilema—and the way out—at the opera house next Tuesday night.

High grade material, delivered promptly by the People's Lumber Co.

Chas. Webb was in Charleroi yesterday consulting an eye specialist, who advised an operation.

Chris Frantz, of Pittsburg, spent yesterday in town, the guest of his friend, Robt Shibler.

We have some splendid values in sponges at prices from 5c to $1.50—Kirk's Drug store.

Gus Homan, who is attending Frankfin College at Athens, Ohio, is home on a short vacation.

Light's Drug Store caters to the family needs —LIGHT'S.

Popular prices for the entertainment at the opera house Tuesday night—adults, 25c, children 15c.

Misses Etta Viola Dillon and Miss Harriet Watson are among today's shoppers in Pittsburg

Look over our new line of combs and hair brushes — the very best makes. Prices to suit any sized pocket book—Kirk's Drug store.

Mr and Mrs R. C. Tustin, of Donora, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Long yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs G F Kelly, of Scottdale, are visiting at the home of R. S. Kelly, on Donner avenue.

The Apollo Chocolate candy—the candy that's different—60c a pound at Kirk's Drug store.

Mrs. Doodle will tell all about the virtues of the late lamented Mr. Doodle at the opera house next Tuesday evening.

Life like portraits painted in oil. any size, durable and cheap. A. Davenport, 301 Sixth street.

Charleroi's famous blood hounds have been sent to the chief of police at Fayette City. What will the Magic City do without them?

L. R. Mack, of Belle Vernon, was in town today on business. Mr. Mack has just recovered from a serious attack of typhoid fever.

Two types of moral philosophy are represented in the five wise and the five foolish virgins at the opera house next Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Stratton and Danny Wolfe of McKeesport, will spend Sunday in town, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Brautegam, at the Foster House.

The stork paid a visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J Knight this morning, leaving them a bouncing baby boy. He's a husky youngster and A. J.'s awfully proud of him.

Mrs. Etta Lear, of this city, attended the funeral of her sister, Mrs. David Plowman, which took place today at Sandy Creek. Mrs Plowman died Thursday at Altoona.

Monessen merchants are rejoicing today, for with the exception of the tin mill, every mill in town paid their employees and thousands of dollars will change hands before night. All are anticipating a record breaking day's sales.

There will be a meeting of the E. E. A C. base ball team, tomorrow (Sunday) at 11 o'clock in the Capitol Billiard rooms Every member is requested to be present as at this meeting, the style of uniform will be selected for the coming season.

J. W. Sergent, of Sharon, has opened an up-to-date shooting gallery in the room formerly occupied by Ferren's grocery on Donner avenue. The equipment is first class and this new place of amusement promises to become extremely popular.

The Pirates would like to hear from all 14-year-old teams of this vicinity about games. Address Carlton Ketchum, 552 Donner avenue, mgr Out of town teams must furnish half expenses This is a good, swift team and will guarantee fair treatment and a good game.

BLACK HAND IN ACTION AGAIN.

William Gee, of Monongahela, directed to Give Up $15 or Meet Death.

William Gee a prominent marble dealer here, received a "Blackhand" letter Wednesday in which he was commanded to leave a sum of money under one corner of his building by this evening or he will meet death at the hand of the Blackhand society.

Mr. Gee received the letter in the mail Wednesday evening and did not give it any thought at all, as he was the recipient of a similar one a short time ago, making demands for small amounts of money. This last demanded that $15 be put under the southeast corner of his building and if he failed to reply to the request he would be killed at once. The other letter contained the same threat and Mr. Gee has not been harmed yet. Mr Gee stated that he would not pay any attention to this demand and would not place the money where he was requested

The Blackhand society figured quite extensively in this place a few months ago, but little credence is given the society now, as such letters have been received so frequently by business men and nothing further heard of the matter

Church Notes.

Sacramental services at the United Presbyterian Church tomorrow at 11 00 a m. "Christ the Bread of Life". Rev. Reid, of Donora, will preach today at 3 p m.

Bethany Baptist Church, worshiping in opera house hall, Henry Madtes pastor, Morning sermon; "Helps and Hindrances to Christian Living" Evening, "The Peoples Interest in Christ".

The topics of the sermons to be delivered by the pastor at the Christian Church tomorrow are as follows: 11 a m "A Worthy Christian Life," 7:30 p m "The Immutability of Christ and His Kingdom"

At St. Pauls Lutheran Church, "Temperance Sunday" in the Sunday School at 9.45 a. m Two first class recitations and an address by our pastor, are attractions for this day, W. I. Rishebeger, Supt. Sermon themes are as follows "Jesus Caring For Men" at 11:00 a. m. "The Patient Sufferer", at 7:30 p m. M. M. Allbeck, pastor.

Sending No Coal South.

Although a high stage of water was experienced in the Pittsburg harbor, the result of the recent rise, no coal was shipped south, the shippers preferring to hold it in case of a strike. At Hazelwood, the Jones & Laughlin Co. are storing coal at the rate of 50 carloads per day, it being their determination not to be caught without coal in case the miners decide to strike. 5,000 tons have already been stored by them.

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Argue Bridge Question March 31st.

The Allegheny county courts have made the writ of mandamus against the Williamsport Bridge company returnable on Saturday, March 31, at which time the motion will come up for argument. This is the case wherein the attorneys for the Chamber of Commerce of the city wants an order of court to compel the commissioners of the two counties to perform a specific act. It is not thought there will be any objections to the issuance of the order either by the bridge company or the commissioners It is hoped to have the matter settled shortly after the first of April

The new steel bales recently introduced by the American Steel & Wire Co. have given entire satisfaction and the firm has placed orders for ten more to be rushed to early completion.

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Brick veneered slate roof cottage, six rooms, hall and bath, nice lawn and garden, property in elegant condition, and in a nice location, cheap at 3100 00

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March 24 1906.

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See what an elegant Suit $15 will buy.

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Value $3 98 will go for $2.48
Value $7 will go for $4 50
Value $1 50 Skirts go for 98c
Value $2 Waists go for $1.25
Value $1 50 Waists go for 98c
Value $1 25 Waists go for 75c
Childern's Girdles 20c
Ladies fine Corsets 25c
All dollar Corsets will go for 75c
Flowers, Mull and Shiffon's go at ½ price
10 per cent off on Granite ware, Dishes and Household and other goods including, knives, forks and spoons of which will be saving a good deal of your money
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Lunching in Congress.

Visitors in Washington nearly always call upon the congressman from their district, and the latter, if of hospitable turn, frequently invites them to luncheon in the congress restaurant, a privilege highly prized by the average visitor. Once a number of women called upon a wealthy congressman and were duly invited to have luncheon with him, which they promptly and gladly accepted, and when seated proceeded to order a luncheon substantial enough for day laborers. When the check for the luncheon was handed to the congressman and he handed a bill for the amount to the waiter, one of the women remarked that she thought congressmen did not have to pay for their meals there or she would not have ordered so much. The congressman, says the narrator, explained that paying for luncheons was one of the pleasant privileges which were still permitted to the congressmen by an indulgent government and that it was one which they especially enjoyed. "And visitors help us enjoy it, too," he added.—Baltimore American.

Courting Customs of Siam.

In Siam the lighting of a cigar indicates a betrothal. In that country a person wishing to become engaged to the girl of his choice offers her a flower or takes a light from a cigar or cigarette if she happens to have one in her mouth, and thereupon, provided there is no impediment, steps are at once taken to arrange for the payment of the dowry. The families of the bride and bridegroom have each to provide a considerable sum. In Calabria, as in many parts of India, a lighted taper or a lighted pipe betokens the acceptance of the suitor for the hand of a lady in marriage. In Siberia it is the custom that when a suitor has been accepted by a girl she presents him with a box of cigars and a pair of slippers as a sign that he is to be master in the house.

Japan's Pancake Women.

One of the familiar sights on the streets of a Japanese town is the pancake woman, who, with her little brazier of coals and her tiny frying pan, is usually found on a corner not far from a school. She has a bowl full of delicious batter, a ladle and a cake turner, and there is apt to be a hungry crowd around her little stand as soon as school is out, for not many of the children are able to resist the smell of the crisp pancakes, at least if they have any money. For a small coin worth only a fraction of one of our pennies a child may fry and turn his own cakes, and happy is the one who has a number of coins in his little kimono sleeve and can fry and eat to his heart's content.

Official Correspondence.

A fourth class postmaster—and he doesn't live in Billville—sent the following to headquarters in Washington:

"This wil make three times that I've told you I'm laid up with a bad leg, havin' shot myself in the left leg—the one that was wounded in the war—while I wuz tryin' to kill a squirrel for my breakfast, and I will not be besides, I don't git much holiday nohow!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Scotland Yard.

Scotland Yard, widely known as the headquarters of the London police, is a historical place, said to have been the site of a palace where kings of Scotland were received when they came to London. It is near the banqueting hall, Whitehall. The Scotch kings retained possession of it from 959 till the rebellion of William of Scotland. Milton, Sir Christopher Wren and other notables lived in Scotland Yard.

Why?

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For Brownsville and intermediate stations 6:30, 8:04, 9:58, a. m., 12:36, 2:52, 5:07, 8 58, p. m., f1:15 night week-days. Sundays 8:46, 11:25 a. m., 3:02, 6:51, 11:40 p. m.

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A Martyr to Form

[Original.]

For any one to mention to me a conventional form—to say "this is the proper thing to do," or "that isn't the proper thing to do"—is like shaking a red rag before a mad bull, and I'll tell you why.

I was brought up in an eastern city, in the "best circles," which meant that I was carefully trained as to the "proper thing." I was used to two different ways of turning casual acquaintances with young ladies into calling acquaintances. The first was for the young man to wait for an invitation to call from the young lady or some member of her family, the other to secure the good offices of a mutual friend, who would give the introduction.

When I was twenty I removed to a western city, where I went into business and made the place my home. I found it very different in a social way from being on my own "stamping ground" at home. I had never had occasion to push myself socially and to do so would have been repulsive to me. Nevertheless I gradually made acquaintances, in all cases receiving the invitations without solicitation on my part. As I grew toward that age wherein a man tires of society and longs for a home I gradually dropped out of the gay world. I desired to meet some attractive girl who would consent to marry me.

One day I received an invitation from an intimate friend of mine—a Mrs. Wood—to dinner. The only other guest present was Miss Julia Rivard, a young lady whom I at once pronounced very attractive—just the person, I thought, judging from appearances, that I would like to make a nest with. She was very pretty, very ladylike and had been well educated. She was but nineteen years old and not self assertive, but this only rendered her the more attractive to me. I passed a delightful evening in her company and went home to dream of her.

In due time I called upon Mrs. Wood and told her that I was much pleased with her friend. This I considered quite enough to warrant her offering to be a medium in securing me a calling acquaintance on Miss Wood. She made no offer to do so. I met the young lady at social entertainments and paid her much attention, hoping and expecting an invitation to call upon her. No invitation came. I was, to use a word that best expresses it, miffed. I gradually ceased my attentions, and Miss Rivard treated me with less warmth. By spring there was a positive coolness between us.

I met Miss Rivard occasionally for a number of years. Meanwhile I picked up new friends and dropped some of my old ones. There was no young lady that I cared to marry except Miss Rivard, and since she did not care enough for me to ask me to her house I remained a bachelor.

Seven years after I had met Julia Rivard a sister of mine came from the east to visit me. At an evening party I introduced my friend Jack Millburn to her. While riding home I said to her: "I hope you asked Millburn to call. Of course I'll bring him, but a fellow likes to have a girl ask him."

"My dear boy, I never ask men to call upon me."

"Why not?" I asked, surprised.

"Because it isn't the proper thing to do."

"What is the proper thing?"

"If the gentleman wishes to know the girl it is his privilege to ask permission to call upon her."

"I never did such a thing in my life. We never did it at home."

"I believe things were different in such cases when you were at home. The custom has changed."

This was a revelation to me. For years I had been priding myself on not trespassing upon other people's homes till invited. I had caused an estrangement between myself and the girl I wished to marry, and all because a conventional form had changed and I did not know it.

I told my sister of my mistake and asked her what I could do in the matter. She told me that she would think it over and let me know if she thought of any way to untie the knot. I waited some time for her reply, but none came. Then one morning I received a note from Miss Rivard.

Your sister tells me that you have been waiting seven years for me to ask you to come to see me. I meantime have been waiting seven years for you to ask for an invitation to call upon me, since I supposed that to be the conventional form in such cases. Indeed, I never was taught any other. I hope you will come soon and often to make up for lost time.

I lost no time in making the call and when I did so displayed such grief at having through a bit of conventional stubbornness lost seven years of the lady's society that it was equivalent to a lot of lovemaking. My courtship lasted seven days, or one day for each year of our estrangement; then I proposed and was accepted.

I learned soon afterward that I was in the nick of time—that Julia Rivard was on the point of accepting a man who had had the impudence to call upon her without even having asked permission. He had given as a reason that he feared he might be refused. I also learned that I had been invited by Mrs. Wood to meet Miss Rivard with the intention of making a match.

While I train my boys and girls to keep track of conventional forms as well as they can, I also teach them to pay as little attention to etiquette as is safe. Forms were made as a protection from boors. Genteel people can afford to dispense with them.

RUSSELL THORNE.

Out of the Depths

[Original.]

A boy twelve years of age is being carried from a mine. On his face is that blight we see on a plant that has grown in the dark. He is thin and pale and languid, but out of two large black eyes looks a soul which, though nourished in the depths of the earth, burns with unusual luster.

The boy's health has at last given way suddenly under a prolonged strain. He is taken to his father's cabin and a doctor summoned. The physician examines the invalid and looks grave. He sees evidence of curvature of the spine. The boy will be a hunchback. Hard, isn't it, that this child's share of labor should have ruined his life?

Weights are attached to the frail extremities in the hope of pulling the frame out to its normal length. This the boy is obliged to endure a number of hours during each day. For months the doctor comes and goes at intervals, but there is no change, the suffering from the weights has all been endured for nothing.

One day the doctor approaches the little bed, and on the wall against which it stands he sees a pencil sketch of himself. He recognizes it as his own likeness, not only by the likeness, but by a certain posture of the body that is natural to him. He inquires who made the drawing, and his little patient confesses that he is the artist. Then the child brings forth other drawings concealed under his pillow. There are people in all variety of attitudes, sketched as they have passed through the room on various errands.

On his next visit the doctor brings a man with him. The stranger looks at the drawings and goes away. A few days later the postman brings a letter stating that the boy is to be admitted free to the art school. Meanwhile his health has been so far improved that he is able to take advantage of the opportunity.

The gift Providence has bestowed upon him grows under the culture he receives. And now a new element comes into his life. A girl about his own age comes to the school. She sees his creations with pencil and brush, she looks at his shriveled form, his wan cheek and into his dark eyes, from which comes an expression of suffering mingled with the light of genius. In her own eyes are sympathy and admiration.

Side by side they study—she his superior as a thing of beauty, he far above her in his conceptions and their execution. A delightful companionship springs up between them. Then, the first years of study having been completed, it is essential to proceed in an atmosphere where art is pre-eminent. They meet again in Paris. There they work on, making trips into the country to sketch from nature and seize upon unique types. On one of these trips they discover that this sympathy, friendship, companionship, is more than these. It is love.

Then comes the first shock. The natural sequence of love is marriage, and what has a hunchback to do with wedlock?

One morning it is announced that a picture painted by the young man has been admitted to the salon. This means that he has arrested the attention of the critics. His work is taken from among the thousands that grow dim in artists' studios and hung where picture lovers will see it. He is successful in art, he has all he can desire in love. But the days spent down away from the sunlight have unfitted him for marriage. Thus he considers it, and his resolution is immovable. Not so the girl. With woman's devotion, she is ready to spend her life in comforting him.

Then comes a surgeon who tells him that there is one chance in a hundred that his bent figure may be straightened. He submits to a difficult and dangerous operation. A plaster cast is put about him and he endures the agony of remaining motionless. The nerves cry out against this enforced immobility, but he grinds his teeth together and bears it. Could he be sure the deformity would be cured and he would stand before the girl he loves as nature intended, he would welcome the suffering that would produce such a result, but there is only a chance.

And now, time having been given for the parts to grow with the new relative position, preparations are made to learn the result. Would the figure still be bent or stand erect? A great deal more than a symmetrical person hangs on the result. If he is cured nothing stands between him and his love.

The day the plaster is to be removed and the result known the girl goes to the hospital where he lies and is admitted to a waiting room. She paces to and fro in suspense. If an attendant comes in she looks anxiously for a message, but they come and go, and she is not informed. In that delay is the concentrated agony of years.

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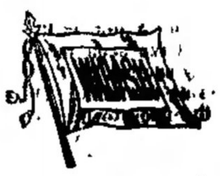

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Crockett, who is a Welshman, has for some time occupied a room to himself next to that of Conroy's barber shop. He retired as usual about 11 o'clock Thursday evening, after having indulged in a short conversation with Mr. Kaufman, who is employed at the shop of Mr. Conroy. When Kauffman arrived the next morning, he wrapped on Crockett's door. Receiving no response, he at once investigated, finding his stiffened corpse sitting in a chair with an empty bottle which had contained carbolic acid lying near.

The coroner of Westmoreland county was at once notified. No motive for the deed is advanced, but it is thought that the threatened arrest of Crockett by some unknown woman is responsible. The dead man was about 60 years of age and had been a resident of Monessen for the past 30 years.

Woman's Day in A. M. E. Church.

Tomorrow is Woman's day in the A. M. E. church, special services and an interesting program. The pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and the Rev R. H. Bumry, of Brownsville, has been invited to preach at 8 o'clock. A special program consisting of addresses, solos, recitations etc., will be rendered in the evening beginning at 7:45 by the women of the church. The choir will render special music. The program is as follows:

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Concerning lions, we all like to entertain them. Most of them like to be entertained. Birds of a feather may flock together, but lions rarely enjoy the company of their kind (two of a kind never can agree). The solitary thrush sings alone. A lion is like that sort of bird. I have seen more than one dinner party spoiled by the multiplicity of lions at the table. The lion likes to have the floor to himself. He is always in better humor when there is no other to dispute it with him. When you have the luck to snare a lion remember that he is a kingly creature and select your guests with a view to his comfort and pleasure. It is better to invite lambs to meet a lion than to ask another lion. Every circle has its lambs.—Maud Howe in Harper's Bazar.

A Ghastly Ceremony.

Mohammedans of the Caucasus have a religious ceremony called "Chucksee Wucksee." It is a ceremony in which the fanatics cut and wound themselves in the following ghastly fashion, according to a traveler: "Each man, grasping a kinjal in his hand, brought it up in front and down on the crown of his head. Almost at every stroke the blood gushed forth, and soon one man after another became a staggering, blood soaked figure."

Making It Easy For Him.

"I must warn you, Bridget," said Mrs. Nuritch, "to see that the peas are thoroughly mashed."

"Mashed, is it?" remarked the new cook in surprise.

"Yes; Mr. Nuritch is so high strung, you know, they make him nervous when they roll off his knife."—Exchange.

A Skeptic.

"Did you tell your father the story I read to you of Jonah and the whale?" asked a teacher of one of his scholars.

"Yes, sir," replied the lad, "but he didn't believe it. Dad never believes any fish stories unless he tell them himself."

Bound to Disagree.

Hicks—The idea of his marrying Miss Roxley! Why, he's a dyspeptic! Wicks—What has that to do with it? She has plenty of money, and— Hicks—That's just it. She'll never agree with him; she's too rich.—Exchange.

Marvelous.

She—And to think I am the only girl you ever loved! He—Yes, dear. She—And to think you thought I believed it!—Brooklyn Life.

Where a man has a passion for meditating without the capacity of thinking a particular idea fixes itself fast and soon creates a mental disease.—Goethe.

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St. Paul's English Lutheran church—meets on second floor of the Trescher building, Donner avenue. M. M. Allbeck, pastor, Residence 156 First street.

First Christian church—Cor. Schoonmaker Ave. and 8th street. Rev James B Smith, pastor—Bible school 10 a. m.; sermon and communion, 11; evening sermon, 7:30; Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:30.

Mt. Olive Baptist church 9th st. and McMahan avenue Rev. B. J. Wiley Pastor—Morning services 10:45, Sunday school 9:30, evening services 7:30. All are welcome.

First United Presbyterian church, Rev J. M. Jamieson, pastor—Services at Loutitt's hall, Donner avenue and Eighth street, Sabbath School 10 a. m. preaching 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

Bethany Baptist church, Rev. Henry Madies, pastor.—Services in opera house hall, Schoonmaker avenue near Fifth street. Bible school meets at 10 a. m. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m., Baptist Young Peoples Union at 6:45 p.m.

Sunday service U. B. church Reed avenue, between Fourth and Sixth street, J. R. Mower pastor—Sunday school 9:30, preaching 11a.m Juniors, 3 p. m.; evening service 6:30 o'clock, preaching at 7:30.

Methodist Episcopal, Schoonmaker avenue and Fourth street, Rev. J V. Wright, pastor—Sunday school 9:45 a.m., preaching at 11 a. m., Junior League at 2:30 p. m., Epworth League 6:30 p. m. and evening sermon at 7:30. Special music. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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First Presbyterian church, Sixth street, R. S. Calder, pastor—morning service at 11 a. m.; evening service at 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 9:45; Junior at 2:30p.m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30; midweek service, Wednesday evening at 7:30. Bible study club Wednesday evening at 8 30 o'clock.

Wyman Chapel, A. M. E. Church Reed avenue, Rev. S. A. Lewis, pastor Preaching at 10:45 a. m., class meeting a 11:45 a. m. Sunday School at 2:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Literary Monday evenings at 7:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday evenings at 7:30. Young People's Class Meeting Friday evenings at 7:30. All are invited to attend these services.

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Notice is hereby given that the partnership lately existing between J. Menefee and R. E Shibler, both of the Borough of Monessen, County of Westmoreland, State of Pennsylvania, under the firm name of Menefee & Shibler, has, this day, March 1st, A. D. 1906, been dissolved by mutual consent, the said J. Menefee retiring from said firm, and the said R. E. Shibler will hereinafter conduct said business, that of a pool room. All accounts owing to the said partnership are to be received by the said R. E. Shibler, and all debts owing by said partnership are to be presented to the said R. E. Shibler for papment at the old place of business on Fifth street.

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Would She Bother Him?

[Original.]

Martin Perkins, aged forty-one, and Eliza Guiless, aged thirty-seven, sat before an open wood fire, he holding his hands, she knitting. For twelve years once a week they had spent Saturday evening together. The custom originated in their having been members of the church choir, Perkins finding it expedient to call on Saturday evenings to talk over the music for the next day. Since then they had both dropped out of the choir, but the call had continued. For the first seven years of this period Perkins had lived with his mother, and half the people said it would be a shame for him to marry, the other half maintaining that he was treating Miss Guiless abominably. During the remaining five years Perkins was endeavoring to make up his mind that it would be safe for a man of his confirmed habits to enter upon matrimony. During these latter years he had sat in the same chair, engaged in the same occupation—holding his hands, with an occasional twirling of his thumbs—while Miss Guiless knitted. But at last he had come to the determination to ask her to be his wife.

"Miss Liza," he began, "marriage is a fearful thing when it doesn't turn out well."

"I think very likely it must be."

"They say marriages late in life seldom turn out well."

"Do they?"

"Yes, they say when a man has passed forty he's set in his ways and a woman always around, interfering with him, is very hard to bear."

He took out his handkerchief and wiped his temples as though the little picture he had drawn indicated hot weather. Miss Guiless seemed more than usually absorbed in her knitting and made no reply for some time. Then she said softly:

"If a man gets a sensible woman maybe she wouldn't interfere with him much."

"I've often thought of that. I don't believe you, for instance, would make it very hard for a man."

"It's very nice of you to say so," replied Miss Guiless, bending lower over her work.

"Then, you're mighty steady. Some women are flighty. You can never pin 'em down to anything. If you was to tell me that you'd do a thing I wouldn't have to argue it with you all over again. I could rely on your doing it same as if it was done."

"I hope I would," replied Miss Guiless meekly.

"Now, I tell you, Miss Liza, there ain't no other woman that lives that I'd take the risk on, but I've known you—let me see, it'll be twelve years comin' the 1st of May—and I hain't a bit afraid to say that the man you marry will get a jewel. I've been thinkin' ever since mother died it's kind o' lonesome up at the house and how different it would be if you was there flittin' about like a yellow bird among the branches. Will you do it, Miss Liza?"

"Do what?" in a scarcely audible tone.

"Marry me."

She bent lower and lower without reply. He went to her, folded her in his arms, and she whispered "Yes."

Miss Guiless expected that her accepted lover would break the rule of the past twelve years and get in a call early in the week. Wednesday came, and he had not called. Thursday and Friday passed, with no sign of him. Then she realized how confirmed he was in his habits. Saturday evening came, and as the clock struck 8 she heard the usual tap at the door. With a happy smile, she ran to open it. When she saw her lover she drew back. A more lugubrious face could not be imagined. He looked as if for him the bottom had fallen out of the universe.

"Why, Mr. Perkins, what's the matter?"

He came in, hung his hat and coat in the usual place and sat down in the usual chair. Miss Guiless waited to hear of some great calamity.

"After I left you last Saturday night, Miss Guiless," he said at last, "I could hardly sleep for joy. When I woke in the mornin' it occurred to me to look over my affairs to see if my income was enough for two. When I got through it occurred to me that our marriage had better be put off two or three years."

"It can be if necessary," said Miss Guiless, with evident disappointment.

"Then I got to thinkin' how unjust it was to a woman to tie her down that way, and I thought—well, mebbe I'd better release you from your engagement."

Miss Guiless' fingers had been flying with her knitting, the only evidence of her impatience to hear what was to come. As he proceeded the needles worked less rapidly, and when he had finished they had slowed down almost to a stopping point. While speaking Mr Perkins had not dared to look at her; but, hearing no reply, he cast a woeful glance at her bent figure. At the moment a tear glistened in the firelight and fell on her work. No drop falling upon substance in a chemical solution could sooner set free that substance than the tear dissolved the cloud obscuring the man's better nature. He arose and, going to her, took her in his arms.

"Don't worry, Miss Liza," he said with a world of affection in his voice. "As I told you, you're one of the reliable sort to be depended on and not to go back on anything you say or undertake, and I shan't have any fear but you'll put up with what there is. You won't bother me a bit."

And she didn't. Nor did he bother her again—at least by going back on his word.

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